

The 2008 Congressional Art Competition

"An Artistic Discovery"

Fact Sheet

- WHAT:** The 27th Annual Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the US Congress.
- WHY:** **AN ARTISTIC DISCOVERY** provides Congress and the public with the opportunity to encourage and recognize the rich artistic talents of young Americans at a time when budgets of local organizations and art-in-education programs are being curtailed.
- ART MEDIA:** Entries must be flat and two-dimensional.
Entries must not exceed dimensions of 30" x 30" when framed.*
Entries must fit within one of the following categories:
- Paintings: (oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.)
 - Drawings: (pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers)
 - Collage: **must be** two-dimensional
 - Prints: (lithographs, silkscreen, block prints)
 - Mixed media (use of more than 2 mediums such as pencil, ink etc.)
 - Computer generated art
 - Photography
- TIMETABLE:**
- March 21:** Registration forms due in Congressman Welch's Vermont office.
- April 11:** All art work must be received at one of the delivery sites listed on the attached page. Artwork submitted after this date is not guaranteed consideration in the competition.
- April 28:** Art show opens at T.W. Wood Art Gallery, Montpelier, VT.
- May 12:** 27th Annual Congressional Art Competition and Awards Ceremony.
- June 2:** Winning piece of art due in Washington, DC to be displayed with other Congressional District winners.
- June 25:** Congressional District first place winners will go to Washington, DC for opening reception.

* Note: Guidelines specify that the winning piece of artwork must be no larger than 30" x 30" when framed. Artwork must be delivered **unframed**, so please keep this in mind as you select your submission.

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AWARD DISTRIBUTION:

First place winner
Second place winner
Third place winner
Judges' Choice winners (3)
Honorable mentions
People's Choice winner
Congressman Welch's choices

WHO:

Open to high school students
To be eligible to win 1st place student must be a Vermont resident

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